

St. Catherine of Siena PTO  
General Membership Meeting Minutes  
May 13, 2008

- I. Meeting called to order by Sue Ann Freeman followed by a prayer.
- II. **Installation of New Offices** - Kay Bunning swore in the PTO Officers for the 2008-2009 School Year. They are: President - Nancy Holmes; President-Elect - Paula Miller; Vice President - Sally Brewer; Treasurer - Su Schweitzer; Treasurer-Elect - Kelly Johnson; Secretary - Lisa Wormald; Members-At-Large - Cathy VanLierop and Beth Volk. The officer positions were turned over at this time.

Sue Ann Freeman expressed her thanks to everyone for their support and help during her two years as PTO President.

- III. **Secretary Report** - Minutes of the April, 2008 meeting were approved by Mary Jo Cox and Beth Volk with a correction to change the Motion to Adjourn from Tracy Shepherd and Barb Beck to Karen Enzweiler and Kelly Frost.
- IV. **Treasurer's Report** - Please turn in any receipts you may have to Su Schweitzer for reimbursement.
- V. **Board Report**

Vice President - No report.

President - Several "thank yous" were received from teachers and staff for the treats and gifts provided on Teacher Appreciation Day. Nancy Holmes expressed thanks to Beth Volk for coordinating this and to everyone who brought something in that day. Thanks to Robin Lindeman who provided ice cream to the students for the great scores on the standardized testing this year. Thank you to Kay Bunning for taking care of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent gifts and to Kelley Glaser and Catherine Ampfer for providing the snacks and refreshments at tonight's meeting. Thanks too, to Su Schweitzer and Tracy Shepherd for coordinating the Confirmation Reception and to Kelly Frost for all of her hard work coordinating the Flower Sale.

Nancy Holmes also expressed thanks to the outgoing PTO Board members and presented them with a small gift of appreciation.

VI. **Standing Committees**

- School Committee - Sally Brewer reported that Grandparents day went very well. There were many people involved in making it such a successful and special day for our school, the children and grandparents. Enrollment numbers to date show a slight decline with 25 students graduating and 15 signed up thus far for kindergarten. The accreditation went very well and we received many positive comments from the accreditation team. The biggest concern is the financial situation.

-Flower Sale - Kelly Frost reported that the flower sale went very well. 76 hanging baskets were sold after the Mother's Day weekend masses. The final numbers are not available at this time.

-Health - Kelly Johnson stated that Dr. Larry Brennan and Karen Enzweiler generously provided a child's blood pressure cuff and stethoscope to the school.

## **VII. Special Committees**

-Principal - Doug Lonneman discussed budget issues at the school. The school is being run on a \$30,000 budget for computers, books, office supplies, etc. There is no place left to cut expenses. Several of the computers need to be replaced and text books need to be updated. The parish is running a deficit of \$120,000. The Board of Education recently sent a letter to school families explaining this situation and Parish Council will send a letter to all parishioners.

Doug also reported that Grandparents Day went great and he was appreciative of how the work was spread out. He also discussed the new Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) program being developed for next year which will address the needs of gifted students. He will be working with Rita Byrd a parishioner and Assistant Superintendent of Fort Thomas Independent Schools. This will be for students in grades 4-8. Please see Doug Lonneman with any thoughts or ideas about this.

## **VIII. Old Business**

-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Promotion Reception - Karen Little and Teena DeVoto have everything organized for this being held on May 28<sup>th</sup>.

## **IX. New Business**

-Outgoing Parents - Several parents of our 8<sup>th</sup> graders who will be leaving the school were honored and presented with a gift. They were thanked for their many years of dedication and service to our school. Some of them shared their positive comments and memories of their time as a St. Catherine School parent.

## **X. Other Business or Announcements**

-Attendance - Cathy VanLierop reported there were 34 people in attendance. Kathy Wolterman won Split the Pot. Su Schweitzer won the drawing for having attended at least 6 PTO meetings this year for the \$100 towards next year's school fees.

-Drawing - Su Schweitzer won the drawing for having attended at least 6 PTO meetings this year for the \$100 towards next year's school fees.

-New Parent Orientation - Lisa Wormald will be coordinating the New Parent Orientation held in August.

Please remember to buy Scrips over the summer to help raise money for our parish.

Nancy Holmes mentioned that the PTO Board will be meeting over the summer to plan for the next school year. If anyone has any ideas or thoughts about the next school year, please let Nancy or any Board Member know.

**XI. Adjourn** -Motion to adjourn made by Kelly Frost and Karen Enzweiler.